

THE ADVOCATE.

To enjoy a thing exclusively is commonly to exclude yourself from the true enjoyment of it.—Thorac.

There is but one way for any of us to exert true influence, and that is by being true and faithful ourselves.—W. G. Eliot.

The truer view of religion, the only one that can stand the tests of deepening culture and experience, regards it not as the relief from life, but as its crown and completion.—Ecclesiastes.

If for a moment we make way with our petty selves, wish no ill to anything, apprehend no ill, cease to be but as the crystal which reflects a ray—what shall we not reflect? what a universe will appear, crystallized and radiant around us.—Thorac.

Adversity is a medicine, which people are rather fond of recommending indiscriminately as a panacea for their neighbors. Like other medicines, it only agrees with certain constitutions. There are nerves which it braces, and nerves which it utterly shatters.—Justin McCarthy.

Happy the man who observes the heavenly and terrestrial law in proportion; whose every faculty, from the soles of his feet to the crown of his head, obeys the law of its level; who neither stoops nor goes on tiptoe, but lives a balanced life, acceptable to nature and to God.—Anon.

Do not be ashamed of doing the smallest thing that is helpful to others. The opportunities for great usefulness come rarely, but the smaller things are always at hand, and he who does them constantly is of great usefulness; and sometimes when the great opportunity comes it is only the one who has trained himself in the little things that have come before who is master of the situation. Be kind, be true, be faithful to all who have a claim upon you.—H. A. McDougal.

The West India hurricane which swept the Atlantic coast from St. Augustine, Fla., to New York Sunday, Monday and Tuesday of last week, probably cost 200 lives. At Port Royal, S. C., Monday, nearly 100 negroes and six white persons were killed or drowned. Savannah reported fifteen dead and many missing. Charleston was swept by the storm Sunday and great damage done. Over forty wrecks are reported and many vessels are missing. Kersersville, N.C., was struck by a cyclone Tuesday morning and 100 houses wrecked. The lower portion of Baltimore was flooded Monday night. Washington was visited by a severe storm at the same time. Tuesday a storm struck Coney Island and Asbury Park, doing great damage.

The experiments of Col. Smolionoff of the Russian Army, with falcons as carriers of dispatches have proved successful, and the Russian Army hereafter will employ them in preference to the ordinary "homing" birds. The Colonel has found that the falcon can carry 1640 grains without diminishing its rate of speed, which is considerably greater than that of the pigeon. The falcons, he says, are less likely to fall prey to other birds, as they are better fighters than the pigeons. It is on record, according to the officer, that a falcon once flew from the Canary Islands to the estates of the Duke of Larma in Spain. It seems highly probable that the falcon will become the servant of other European Armies.

More than one-half of all the oil of peppermint, spearmint and tanyu used in the world is said to be produced in and distilled in Michigan. The centre of the industry is St. Joseph county. Peppermint plants to the weight of 15,000 tons when dried are cultivated every year in the State. From these the essential oils are distilled. Early in the spring the roots are planted in furrows from two to three feet apart. A few weeks later the rows meet and cover the entire ground. In September the plants mature. They are then covered with fragrant purple blossoms and the time has arrived for mowing. After lying in the sun to dry they are raked into heaps and taken to the distilleries, of which there are about 150 in the State. It is estimated that 350 pounds of dried peppermint plants produce one pound of oil. The yield per acre is 15 pounds of oil. Distilled peppermint brings from \$1.25 to \$5 per pound in the home market.



Things are different.
Child could just jump on the back of an American sailor, or above to avoid safety, and shoot him with his military gun, the bullet hitting him in the heart, the bullet hitting him in the heart, but what he "was in it." It is worth something, however, to know that the sailor is a good fellow. The name is true of Dr. Fenner's book, "The Sailor's Friend," a good deal. The name is true of Dr. Fenner's book, "The Sailor's Friend," a good deal.

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MUSIC CLASS.

My class in music will begin Monday, Sept. 4, at my residence on North Mayville street. I have much reason to be gratified with the extent to which my work has been appreciated in the past, and hope for a continuation of liberal patronage.

Respectfully,
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Drowning Fish

Fish in streams and rivers are sometimes drowned, according to the Brooklyn Eagle. Strange as the idea of a drowned fish may be, when a stream is suddenly swollen with water that has fallen upon and drained from surrounding soil that has been exposed for some time previously to the sun's rays, the water is warmed and deprived of its power of holding a proper complement of oxygen, the vivifying gas in consequence escapes, and the fish deprived of the aids necessary for respiration, faint and die, as they would if placed in tepid water. A fish, like a man, requires a perpetual supply of oxygen to his breathing apparatus. A fish gets its oxygen from the water, a man from the atmosphere around him. Reverse the position of the two and the fish becomes what is called drowned in the open air, while man is drowned in water. A fish taken out of water dies from drowning, because the little blood-containing filaments which comprise the gills become stuck together and of course, cannot act so as to oxygenate the blood. Fishermen sometimes drown fish in the water. Immediately a fish is hooked, he begins rushing about in a state of alarm, and thus every minute takes more and more out of himself, until at last he begins to get tired and to flag. The fisherman gently pulls the fish's head to the surface of the stream, between wind and water. The creature grows more and more faint as its head is elevated out of the water, and he at last becomes an easy prey. Sea fishermen are very familiar with the phenomenon referred to above. Many species of marine fish have swim bladders or "sound" as they are called by fishermen. When the fish are weakened by their struggle on a hook they are not able to control the air taken in, the consequence being that their stomachs are turned inside out and inflated with air; the "pope-blown" fish rises to the surface, where even if it escapes the hook, it remains buoyed up, seldom having strength enough to recover and return to its normal position.

All of the cod family are somewhat noted for this, but the cusk, Brosmius broomei, is most remarkable. When a cusk is taken in 50 or 60 fathoms it almost invariably comes up "pope-blown," while its eyes are generally almost bursting with air bubbles, which also fill the thin outer membrane of skin. A long and interesting article could be written on this subject.

50,000 lbs.

State Labor Commissioner Brentlinger estimates from returns received from leading points in the State, that there are 35,000 unemployed men in Colorado, at the direct result of the retarding of the mines. Not only miners, of course. He estimates that the army of unemployed will be augmented by 15,000 men within 30 or 60 days. Many of those men are now employed by farmers or fruit laborers. The work of discharging the farm laborers has already begun.

United States Treasurer Morgan Tuesday gave ex-Treasury Nebeker a receipt for \$740,817,419.78 & 5-3, being the amount of cash, bonds, certificates, etc., now in the Treasury. The counting of this vast sum of money has required the services of three officers and sixty assistants since July 31, last.

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MT. STERLING, KY.

James Cockrum, Jr., is quite sick with typhoid fever.

Born, September 1st, to Thomas Botts and wife, a daughter.

James T. Highland will be married to-morrow, Wednesday 6th, to Miss Mary E. Clay of this county.

George Hockaday, of Gainesville, Georgia, has rented the residence of L. N. Phipps, on North Mayfield street. Mr. Hockaday expects to engage in some kind of mercantile business.

We are in receipt of a complimentary ticket to the Winchester Fair, September 12-16. Thanks, gentlemen, we will be among the many from this county who will attend your excellent meeting.

"Times are too hard, stop my paper." The gentleman who penned these words is a miller. His business depends on consumers, those who are able to pay. Stop my paper! Let this be a command and everybody be compelled to obey, what would become of the world? Information is not imparted, progress is at a standstill, and mills are shut down.

"When all these hard times end?" said the laboring man to a gentleman hurrying in business. As soon as people of the town go to work and save their earnings and the farmers learn to do their farming in the fields rather than on street corners. Speak encouragingly of your neighbors, quit talking about hard times, have faith in the Administration, and all will be well.

Henry Watson is a candidate for re-election to the office of Councilman of the Second ward, and of course his candidacy is subject to the will of the Democracy. Mr. Watson wishes his claims to be passed, on and to be judged for the future by what he has done for the city in the past. He believes merit should win, and asks the support of his party upon his allegiance to its principles and his real worth as an official.

The C. H. & D. Railroad have issued a handsome panoramic view, five feet long, of Chicago and the World's Fair, showing relative heights of the principal buildings, etc. Also a hand-some photographic album of the World's Fair buildings, either of which will be sent to any address postpaid on receipt of 10 cents in stamp. Address D. G. Edwards, General Passenger Agent World's Fair Route, 200 W. Fourth street, Cincinnati, O.

We this week, announce Jo M. Conroy and Charles G. Glover as candidates for Councilmen from the Fourth Ward of Mt. Sterling. These two gentlemen are well fitted for the position. They are young men who are progressive in their ideas—active and energetic, who have no axes to grind, belong to no clique or ring, and only agreed to become candidates at the urgent request of their many friends, who believe, as we do, that they will make most acceptable city officials. We most cordially commend these two young business men to the Democratic voters of the Fourth Ward.

Mr. Herbert B. Kinsolving asks the Democrats of Montgomery county to give him the nomination for County Judge. He has been slow to publicly declare his candidacy, but other candidates having announced, he felt it was due to himself and his friends that he should let his plans and wishes be known. Mr. Kinsolving was born and raised in Ohio county, Ky., where before he was twenty-two years old he was elected County Attorney. For four years he filled this responsible position, how creditably it may be judged, when his people at the end of his term nominated him for Representative in the General Assembly, and elected him by a rousing majority, he running over two hundred votes ahead of the State ticket. All this speaks volumes for him. He came to Montgomery to make his home among our people, and his life is known to all since he lived among us. His work for the Democracy in the last Presidential canvas, in this and other counties, is well known to our people. He respectfully asks your votes.

PERSONAL MENTIONING.

Mat Kelly is turning his new residence on Queen street.

Mrs. Ed Green is visiting at S. P. Hunt's, on Main street.

Mr. J. W. Burton's family leave today for the World's Fair.

Hon. W. M. Kendall, of West Liberty, was in the city last week.

James Bush has gone to Chicago, where he will probably locate.

J. D. Cockrell, of Cumberland Gap, is visiting friends in this country.

Mrs. R. T. Pettus, of Richmond, is visiting the family of T. H. Grubbs.

J. B. Bundren, of Moosy Creek Town, is in the city to engage in business.

Hon. J. M. Pieratt and daughter visited the family of J. G. Trimble, last week.

Miss Mamie Redmon returned Monday night from a weeks visit in Lexington.

Mrs. W. B. Fitchpatrick will erect a residence on the lot purchased of J. C. Turley.

Genl.—Drake, of Chicago, spent Saturday in the city with his friend, Mrs. E. J. Reid.

Lillian, the three year old daughter of James H. Wood, is critically ill with brain fever.

Hon. Jo M. Kendall, of Prestonsburg, was in the city last week mixing with friends.

W. A. Sutton and wife, Mrs. R. M. Smith and Miss Nona Sutton will leave for Chicago to-day.

Mr. Ed. William, who has been quite sick, first from a gripe, then fever, is able to be out.

D. Gowell, Dr. Wm. Vanantwerp, Jesse Nelson and T. P. Martin are attending the G. A. R. at Indianapolis.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Kennedy, of Carlisle, spent several days with Mr. and Mrs. James Kennedy, of this city.

Mrs. J. L. Hughes (nee Emily Lee Howe), of Bloomfield, is in the city, and attended the Forest-Cleek club.

Luther Sanders, of Columbus, Hickman county, Ky., came in Saturday to enter the K. T. S. for the coming year.

Mr. Oscar W. Riley, of Lexington, Bible College, visited Mrs. C. D. Redmon and family from Friday until Monday.

J. D. Hazelrigg left last night for New York to purchase the fall and winter stock for the firm of Grubs and Hazelrigg.

Miss Sarah McCarver, of Lexington, is visiting Mrs. N. H. Trimble, at her beautiful home on North Mayfield street.

Misses Mary Pratt and Lucile Heden have returned home after a five weeks' visit to their grandmother in Shelby county.

Mrs. J. M. Biggs and daughter, Misses Fenton and Lizzie, left Monday for a two weeks' visit at Chicago and the World's Fair.

Dr. R. L. Drake was in Lexington last week in answer to a telegram to see J. E. Queen who is quite sick, also to see Mat Kelley.

Secretary Taylor, of the Y. M. C. A., who has been taking quite a protracted visit through India, Terri-tory, is expected to return to-morrow.

Mr. A. J. McCarty, a prominent business man, of Sameret, Ky., was in the city yesterday to attend the funeral of his brother, David McCarty.

Mr. J. S. Smeot, Democratic Senatorial nominee from the district composed of the counties of Bath, Rowan, Meaford and Carter, was in the city last week.

Mr. Jacob Henry, Mrs. T. G. Denison, Mrs. B. F. Thompson, Misses Nannie Reed, Mamie Miller and Fannie Reed leave the 18th for the World's Fair.

Misses Ollie Fent, Flemingsburg; Mattie Estill and Sipha Willis, of Lexington, and Misses Tom McGarvey and Sam Willis, of Lexington, are visiting the family of J. D. Reed.

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A PIECE OF GALL.

A prominent candidate for the Democratic nomination to one of the foremost county offices, said to us a day or two since: "The editors of this Republican sheet, the Gazette, have more gall than I have ever seen enclosed in the same compass. One of them had the supreme impudence to ask me to announce my candidacy for a Democratic nomination in his paper—this, too, when every page of his paper teems with abuse of Democrats and Democratic measures. He must take me for a fool when he expects me to give him my money, to the better support him in a fight against me if I shall receive the Democratic nomination."

This Democrat takes the correct view of the matter. We have suffered before—we repeat there are two Democratic papers in the county, one or the other of which reaches every Democratic voter within its limits. Announce in them, But you have no right, when you are expecting those same Democratic papers to support you, after you shall have received the nomination, against the attacks of the Republican Journal, to furnish it means with which to carry on a campaign against yourself. Business is business, and politics is politics. When it comes to politics keep your munitions of war as far as possible out of the hands of the enemy.

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Yours,
W. R. NUNNELLY.

The Chairman of the Democratic Committee of the counties of Breathitt, Wolfe, Morgan, Owlsley and Magoffin, the 34th Senatorial district, met at Jackson, Breathitt county, on last Wednesday, and decided to hold a direct meeting on September 22d, in county meetings at the Court-houses in each county on the 23d inst., and a district convention at Jackson, Breathitt county, September 26th. Each candidate to be given his strength. The candidates are Col. John P. Salter, of Morgan; Hiram Owlsley, of Owlsley, and S. S. Combs, of Wolfe.

The good success Dr. Stockdale has had with his numerous patients in this vicinity is the result of his thorough education and knowledge of the diseases he makes his specialty. He can not cure all cases nor does he claim to. His careful mode of examination and his familiarity with the slightest changes in the different organs enable him to tell at once whether or not a cure can be effected. His ideas are new and his methods the latest. He solicits all who are suffering from chronic or nervous troubles to seek him and learn his methods. See him at National Hotel, Wednesday, September 13.

S. P. Hinn, one of the most prominent farmer of this county, on last Saturday made an assignment to Dr. A. J. Shirley for the benefit of his creditors. We have been unable to learn the condition of his affairs and hence cannot approximate the amount of his indebtedness or resources. At the same time his son, H. J. Hunt, and the firm R. J. & John Hunt assigned to John Morris. They are of the very best men of Montgomery county, and no man will read this item who will not have the deepest sympathy for them.

But little has been said recently of the gas and oil prospects. In the meantime Adam Baum continues to play the drill. He is not talking just now, but if we should make a guess we would say the well is about 600 feet deep. Experts claim that gas and oil both abound here, and a well sunk to the depth of 1,200 to 1,500 feet would reach it. Mr. Baum will go that depth should he not find it sooner.

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Mr. J. Will Clay, one of our favorite young business men, and who is closely identified with Mt. Sterling and all her interests, has announced himself as a candidate for the Democratic nomination for Councilman from the First ward. If there can be found a better man than Will Clay for Councilman, we would like to know who he is. We are always glad when we can support such a man as Mr. Clay for public office.

J. C. Back, attorney at Jackson, was nominated Democratic candidate for the Legislature from the counties of Lee, Breathitt and Magoffin, on Wednesday, by acclamation. Mr.

Back is a staunch Democrat and has the confidence of his party. He will doubtless have Republican opposition, but Mr. Back will have a complete walkover.

To the Democrats of Montgomery County.

My duties as deputy clerk in the County Clerk's office, prevent me from making an active canvass at present. I hope to see each of you personally before the election, and I ask of you to consider my claims before pledging to other candidates in the County Clerk's race. I am running this race alone, and am not, nor will I be connected with either of the gentlemen who are candidates for County Clerk, reports to the contrary, notwithstanding.

Your Obedient Servant,
W. B. O'CONNELL.**RELIGIOUS.**

Elder T. G. Lester, of Virginia, and Elder Gold, of North Carolina, will preach at Southern Presbyterian church Wednesday afternoon at 3 o'clock and in the evening at 7 o'clock. The public is cordially invited to attend.

Licking Association of Particular Baptist will meet at Mayfield, Mason county, Friday 8th and continue three days. Rev. R. M. Brubridge and wife J. W. Ratliff and wife will attend as delegates from here.

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THE MARIGOL.

The violet sweet I dearly love,
The pink the rose the gold,
The blushing rose out all bowers above
I love the Marigold.

Fair flowers, that of a time of old
Didst give me, never ave,
To the world from like a dove of gold
Dost give to mortal's love!

Alas! for love he gave thee not,
Fall vainly didst thou ave,
Unless I have a love, lot,
Or call thy love too true?

The god who changed thee to a flower
Had given thy heart the same;
Still doth thy beauty's power
In hues of orange flame.

Still dost thou fit thy drooping head
To catch his eye's bright ray,
And make thy beauty's shade
The shadow of a beauty's day.

Poor Marigold I love the well,
And most because like me,
They both are born to weep still
Of grief and constancy.

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The pink, the rose hold,
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Gentleman's Magazine.

STORM SHADOWS.

Last June and July I had been taking too much of myself. Beside the ordinary drudgery at the museum I was in a hurry to get my novel finished. I don't know how it is with most people, but I am naturally, but after a hard day's work at the effort of creation (satir, the mask), though it is pleasant at the time and does not seem to cost me anything, leaves all my nerves jarring.

In July we went down to the cottage on the river, and I wrote harder than ever till I got into a morbidly frantic condition. I was always nursing some grievance, expecting Lucy to divine wishes I never really felt, and deliberately silent on things I wanted done, that I might fancy a fringe because they were not seen to without my asking. She, poor soul, was terribly perplexed, but it only depressed her, and made her more silent. That always brought me to my senses, and there would be a redemptive amiora. Still it was a strained, unhappy sort of time.

On Sunday, July 20, I had been writing all the morning, and not to my satisfaction, so that I was very discontented about things in general. In the afternoon Lucy suggested we should go to service at St. Peter's school, which is near us, and where they have a reputation for their singing. The day had been sultry and lowering, and at 4 o'clock when we were in a thunderstorm was obvious. I could see a number well a curious, heavy effect of sunshines on the blue mass of vapor.

Lucy went up into the gallery, and I was put into the stalls on the north side. Next to me was one of the masters... His face struck me as he walked up the aisle. I never saw so fine a face before. Very tall—two fine three-inch whiskers, and six feet, and with that look of ample strength that a man gets from constant athletic games. But the head was the thing—a long oval face with olive tint, long, straight hair as soft as a woman's and silky black moustache. He might have walked out of a Leonardo da Vinci, if Leonardo had painted a Hippolytus. This young man looked as if nothing had ever occurred to disturb the supremacy of cricket and football in his mind.

But I was in that overstrung temper when one cannot command one's thoughts, and more few of it in self-service. I sat there all my hopes on succeeding with this boy, and the more I reflected the more I was convinced of my own futility. Impotent ambition that recognizes its own impotence is a very pretty purgatory, and to indulge in unpleasant meditations in a hot church on a sultry afternoon, with no prospect of liberation for an hour, is an indulgence I command to be.

The storm was coming up fast, and the day had grown fearfully dark, while the air, heavily charged with electricity, became more and more oppressive. The thunder was growing away in the Thames valley, confirming my fears. Once more I was a row of stained glass windows. I remember their stupid square greens and "this reds and blues" well. But they were open at top to catch a breath of air, and I looked out on to the leaden sky.

I was in that nervous, twitching frame of mind that makes your steps in a house at night, and for the first time in my life I began to speculate on the possibilities of danger. Suddenly there came a really awful flash and burst just above us—I saw the reader start as he was walking up the aisle to begin the service. I turned about to thunder, and I looked up toward the organ loft to see that she was not fainting. A raised my eyes there came another flash across the open window, its intense and fierce and wickedly queer that it dazed me and print itself on the eyeball that saw not being C's.

Quickly—quicker than I could say it—came the thought that I was blinded. I put my hand on my head to ease the pain in the eye—we were sitting of worse while the lesson went on—and a cold fear took hold of me. I supposed that the thermometer was at 100, but I shivered with a chill running down my spine, and the sweat on my forehead was cold to my hand. Before I ventured to look up I knew that the sight v-

gone, and when I raised my head it was all red darkness before me, of hoops and circles that grew incessantly into one another, like rings in water, standing out before me and receding into space.

Then I began to reflect how I was to get out of church and meet Lucy. There will steps and turns, and I could not bear to think of a friend. Besides, I had my ideas about Lucy. I wanted to break it to her in my own way. I wanted, in plain truth, to lay a trap to catch her innocent thoughts—the first cry of her heart. I was not delirious. I was as sane as I had been for weeks past. Now I saw if she could be all to me that I could fancy. That was what I thought. How sane I was I do not know.

The service was of an appalling length. It outlasted the storm. Meanwhile I was ripening my plan. If my man would help me, it was feasible. When the sermon ended—great heaven! though it was nothing but a string of ineffectual platitudes, but it ended at last, and I took my neighbor.

"Look here," I whispered, "I want you to help me out. Do you mind waiting for the voluntary?" They have a sort of recital there after the hymn, though it was nothing but a string of ineffectual platitudes, but it ended at last, and I took my neighbor.

"Yes, all right," he said. "He had a pleasant voice.

I steadied myself a bit during the hymn, but then came a collection. That was the first thing that brought the feeling of helplessness in on me. I was not used to it, and when the bag came. Then the fumbling way in which I handled it told the tale to my neighbor.

"Pardon me," he whispered, "but aren't you blind?"

"Blinded?" I replied, and I felt his start. Then I explained to him that had a wife there and did not wish to be seen. I was not used to it, and wanted him to see me home.

"I fancy he thought me crazy."

"All right," he said. "I'll do my best. But you must explain fully."

"Your name is Bedford," I said, "and you knew me intimately in Paris five years ago."

"But I never was in Paris," he replied.

We tried other places. Finally Lorraine was pitched on. I was to go out on his arm and introduce him to Lucy.

"You had better tell which is your wife, if you can," he said.

"She is sitting in the front row on the left."

"There are four women there," he said.

I made him describe them to me. Lucy was the third. I am so unmerciful about dress that I could not be sure till he described her features roughly. It is a very odd sensation to hear another man describe your wife to you, especially if he calls her "my wife." I was not used to it, and the other word made me catch my breath.

As the voluntary ended he told me when Lucy got up to go, and we stumbled into the aisle while she could see us.

Lucy sat in the vestibule. He had to nudge me when she came. Luckily, she spoke first.

"What a storm!" And looked deadly ill.

"It was pretty bad," I said, "but let me introduce Mr. Bedford, of whom I have talked so often."

Then we walked homeward. Lucy made talk about him with the young man. He was very respectfully dressed, and I was deeply embarrassed in his tone, and no wonder. I cut in now and then with leading questions about the people we had known, or rather I had known in Switzerland. But he was very ready to answer in living, and I had to give in for his revelation. Besides, his head was down, and with a dark, despairing moment to stumble. I was afraid, too, that Lucy's suspicions might be roused by my taking his arm. I am not demonstrative in my ways with her.

Happily the footpath was empty, but about half way home we met some women—I think they were all women from the rustle of their dresses—and had to steer clear of them. In my nervousness I ran my supporter hard into a lampost.

"My dear boy," Lucy cried out, "Mr. Bedford won't appreciate your action at this rate. Have you lost your eyes?"

We got home without further accident, and I put my hand on the open door. Lucy was urgent with our friend to stay and have tea. "Never mind your work," she said. "We shall think you are in a hurry to see the doctor."

It was evident enough to me that the poor fellow desired nothing more ardently than to be gone and was only anxious decently to conceal it. Lucy's hospitable offering seemed to me excessive. However, at last he made his excuses definitely.

"At least you will let us see you again next Saturday," Lucy. The phrase struck me.

"Yes," he said, "certainly. You must let us see you again. Come any time. All hours are alike to me—day or night. Must you go, the Thanks for coming so far with us, Lucy, won't you give Mr. Bedford a chance to requite him?"

You would not believe what it cost

me to say that. But I had to make some shift to get her eyes off me while I stumbled into the drawing room and groped my way to an arm chair.

"Now for it," I thought. "Very likely you don't enter into my state of mind—how should you? I knew Bedford, who was one of my best friends. Indeed she had come to me, so to say, parade my affection by walking arm in arm—she could not have been other than gracious to him. Yet, you see, I was contented on my one idea. She must spare me the pain and humiliation of being blind. Good heavens! I thought, surely she might have apprehended from my voice or from my look that I needed her con-

solation. No body advocates that his blood vessels are not to blame. They're all of us."

"But there's only one of them that's to blame—your eyes."

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Then I tried writing with my own hand. Lucy persuaded me she could do it. I sat upright, leaning back, and kept the lines straight. I did so. I wrote nearly half a volume that I wrote in this way—of course quite undescribable now.

But it brought on the crisis. Try to write with your eyes shut for a minute or two, and you will see what strain it is upon the nerve. Mind you, I did not close my eyes. We had worked six hours like this every day. Lucy was in agonies and employed me to stop, yet afraid to thwart me. That night I could not sleep, and to ward morning delirium set in. The doctors tell me there is no such thing as brain fever, but it is a good descriptive term for the illness that follows.

As I understand it from what Lucy says, when the fever first left me I was sane enough, but my memory was gone. I could see perfectly.

Then as memory began to return there came a struggle with the old disease, and a relapse followed.

"Last," as Tennyson says, "I woke up, but with night, and I was alone, and by a fortunate inspiration that had kept me in the dark. Else, I think, the shock of returning consciousness would have frightened away my fluttering life. It was Lucy who explained it all to me in the little watches of the night, little by little, until I could bear it. Poor Lucy! I found her first, and she had been over me a day or two afterward. But I pulled it out, and now it is the only memento of my blindness."

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